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SUBJ: GOP REACTION TO SOVIET/IRANIAN COMMUNIQUE

REF: STATE 55531 , STATE 58340

1. GOP- CONTROLLED MEDIA REPORTED SOVIET/IRANIAN COMMUNIQUE
MATTER- OF- FACTLY. WE ARE NOT AWARE OF ANY EDITORIAL
COMMENT IN INDEPENDENT OR GOVERNMENT- CONTROLLED NEWS-
PAPERS. IN MEETING WITH MFA DIRECTOR (IRAN, AFGHANISTAN,
TURKEY, CENTO, RCD) DELHAVI MARCH 29, EMBOFF INQUIRED IN
LOW KEY ABOUT GOP REACTION TO COMMUNIQUE' S REFERENCE
TO " REALIZATION OF A COLLECTIVE SECURITY SYSTEM IN
ASIA IN THE LIGHT OF THE PRINCIPLES PUT FORWARD IN
THEIR 1972 COMMUNIQUE". DELHAVI REPLIED THAT REFERENCE
" REQUIRED SOME CLARIFICATION". WITHOUT SAYING THAT

GOP HAD SOUGHT CLARIFICATION FROM TEHRAN, HE COMMENTED
THAT IRANIANS HAD TOLD PAKS THIS PHRASE WAS GENERALI-
ZATION WHICH DID NOT RPT NOT SIGNIFY IRANIAN COMMITMENT
TO ANY SPECIFIC (I. E., BREZHNEV) TYPE OF COLLECTIVE
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SECURITY ARRANGEMENT. IN SEPARATE CONVERSATION, MFA LEGAL ADVISOR SAMAD TOLD ECON COUNSELOR THAT GOP HAD NOTED THIS REFERENCE WITH SOME CONCERN. SAMAD SAID HE ASSUMED MATTER WAS ONE PRESIDENT BHUTTO DOUBTLESS WOULD RAISE WITH SHAH DURING BHUTTO'S APRIL 7-11 VISIT TO IRAN.

2. DURING COURSE OF DINNER AT CHARGE'S RESIDENCE MARCH 28, ECON COUNSELOR TOOK OPPORTUNITY TO ASK PRESIDENT BHUTTO ABOUT ASIAN SECURITY PORTION OF COMMUNIQUE. BHUTTO DID NOT RESPOND DIRECTLY EXCEPT TO SAY THAT CHINESE WOULD CERTAINLY NOTE IT WITH INTEREST. SHAH WOULD PROBABLY BE VISITING CHINA IN NEAR FUTURE, HE ADDED, AND CHINESE COULD BE EXPECTED TO BRIEF HIM FULLY ON THEIR VIEWS ABOUT ASIAN SECURITY.

3. WE CONCLUDE FROM ABOVE THAT PAKS MAY HAVE PRIVATE MISGIVINGS ABOUT SHAH'S AGREEMENT TO COMMUNIQUE LANGUAGE RE ASIAN SECURITY, BUT ARE NOT PREPARED TO CRITICIZE SHAH PRIVATELY TO THIRD COUNTRY NATIONALS MUCH LESS EXPRESS THEIR CONCERN PUBLICLY.
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